Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Melissa Daycare, LLC

Provider Name: Melissa Daycare, LLC

Provider No.: 52345

Address: 336 Lynwood AVE, Ottumwa, IA, 52501

E-Mail:

County: Wapello

Phone Number: 7036551508

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 7/30/2026

Program Type:

- [X] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home B
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C1
- [ ] Non Registered Child Care Homes accepting CCA

Program Population Served:

- [X] Infant(0<24 mos)
- [X] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

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1. Basic Overview

Tania has been a registered childcare provider since January 2024. Tania is a category A provider, and she has no assistants or substitutes. Tania's childcare hours are 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Tania cares for children ages 3 months to 5 years. Tania participates in the food program.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Tania was caring for 6 children at the time of the compliance visit. The children were observed playing together in the living room area with toys and books.

Tania says that one of her strengths is that she accepts protective care because she likes to be able to help children and families in the foster care system.

Tania is bi-lingual (English and Spanish). Tania says that she is very reliable, she is always home. Tania's childcare home is also located very near an elementary school.

Tania says that the children like to sing, dance and she works on pre-school activities such as ABC's, numbers and colors with the children. Tania also has an outdoor play area with ride-on and climbing toys.

Tania shared with SW Bailey the many letters of support that her childcare families wrote for her while she was working on her immigration status. The letters praised Tania's character, reliability and care of their children.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept on file for the current year and previous year.

1. Tania says that she does have the children practice fire and tornado drills monthly, but does not always document.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

1. Tania will document monthly fire and tornado drills.

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Targeted Compliance: Emergency Preparedness Plan

Tania's EPP was reviewed and found to be current and appropriate.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Holly Bailey Date: 8/7/2026

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at Karen Laur can be reached at: 641-820-1922.